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UPON hearing counsel the Court made the following

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It appears that there is total negligence on the part of the State Governments in not implementing The Mental Health Act, 1987, The Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995 and The National Trust for Welfare of Persons with Autism, Cerebral Palsy Mental Retardation and Multiple Disabilities Act, 1999. Despite the service of notice almost all States have not filed necessary counter affidavit and complied with the directions issued by this Court on 15.10.2001.

In this view of the matter, time to comply with the directions issued by this Court is extended upto 29.1.2002. On that date concerned Principal Health Secretary of each State shall personally remain present before this Court.

Health Secretary, Government of India is also directed to file its response.

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(Vijay Kumar Sharma)
Court Master

(K.K. Chadha)
Court Master

Copy of the order be given today itself.